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Unitary shipments——

March up 10%, year up 16%

ARLINGTON, Va. -- Combined U.S. shipments of unitary air conditioners and air source heat pumps set a new monthly record for March with 421,459 units shipped, 10 percent higher than last March and 16 percent higher than last year's January-March total, according to ARI statistics.

U.S. shipments of unitary air conditioners and heat pumps during March:

- o totalled 421,459,
- o up 10% from March 1988,
- o year-to-date total 1,124,612,
- o up 16% from January-March 1988.

Heat pump shipments included in the March figures:

- o totalled 80,084,
- o up 4% from March 1988,
- o year-to-date total 211,617,
- o down 3% from January-March 1988.

March factory stocks:

- o down 3,855 units from February,
- o down 79,103 units from March 1988.

March distributor shipments:

- o up 6% from March 1988,
- o year-to-date shipments up 5%.

March distributor inventories:

- o up 57,044 units from February,
- o up 39,906 units from March 1988.

March U.S. dollar bookings of reciprocating liquid chillers:

- o up 3% from March 1988,
- o year-to-date total up 3%.

March U.S. dollar bookings of large tonnage liquid chillers:

- o up 46% from March 1988,
- o year-to-date up 48%.

(See reverse side for Condensed Summary.)

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Unitary Heating and Cooling Section's Condensed Summary by Size of United States Manufacturers' Shipments

UNITED STATES

	SIZE BTUH (000)		NUMBER OF UNITS			
			CONDENSER-TYPE			
			AIR OR EVAP. COOLED A	WATER COOLED B	U S TOTAL C	% CHG. FROM 1988
CONDENSED SUMMARY BY SIZE	Under 16 5		3,261		3,261	+ 5
	16 5-21 9		29,555		29,555	- 7
	22 26 9		99,381		99,381	+ 29
	27 32 9		92,292		92,292	+ 15
	33 38 9		94,892	72	94,964	+ 10
	39 43 9		29,268		29,268	- 2
	44 53 9		31,562		31,562	-0-
	54 64 9		27,736	174	27,910	- 4
	65 96 9		5,111	79	5,190	- 9
	97 134 9		3,587	91	3,678	- 14
	135 184 9		2,024	54	2,078	- 4
	185 249 9		864	25	889	+ 5
	250 319 9		351	8	359	-0-
	320 379 9		278	17	295	+ 18
	380 539 9		235	39	274	+ 7
	540 639 9		102	27	129	- 34
	640 and over		245	129	374	+ 63
	TOTAL		420,744	715	421,459	+ 10